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For: DISPOSABLE BARRIER FOR A LABORATORY SPLASH PAN

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the invention entitled DISPOSABLE BARRIER FOR A LABORATORY SPLASH PAN described in

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